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To Whom It May Concern,

I live in Pleasantdale, South Portland, just around the corner from Global Partners LLP, and I have been concerned about the smell / fumes in our area for years.

I moved here in the summer of 2012, and I actually called the gas company that winter because I thought the smell permeating the air was a gas leak.

I carpool with a co-worker up and down Lincoln Street every day on my way to and from work and often there is a foul and scary smell. It is particularly bad on overcast and foggy days. I almost called the fire department one day it was so bad, but remembering the gas leak episode, I decided not to. Turns out my gut on the danger was right the whole time.

I am glad that the EPA finally stepped in, but I am also alarmed that it took so long for this to happen - and that Global (and perhaps even other oil companies in the area) have gotten away with such a gross violation for so long.

Although air quality and enjoyment of breathing clean air is very important, I am mostly concerned about the health impact of these violations. Especially over a long period of time. This is not acceptable. Action should have been taken long ago.

I urge that the steps taken to upgrade their facilities are swift, or that they simply shut down or switch to cleaner fuel alternatives. Oil is not the future. It's like a tape cassette in a world of digital music files.

I would very much like to see a third party (with no interest in the future or oil / gas) be in charge of installing systems to monitor emissions from all of the bulk oil storage tanks in our area. We must do what we can to protect the health and wellbeing of the people over the corporations.

Thank you very much for hearing my concerns,

**Shannon Whitmore**

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